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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 4, 2002, applicants hereby elect Species J illustrated in Figure 13, on which at least Claims 1, 2, 4-11, 13-15 and 19 are readable for prosecution in the subject application, and at least Claim 1 is generic.

Applicants also reserve the right to have the non-elected species considered when the elected claims are allowed (including any claims depending from any allowed generic claim), and further to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected species, as appropriate.

Receipt of the next Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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